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### BHE Asks OP Elects... More Cash

The Board of Higher Education as asked the City to appropriate 2,400,000 for salary increases for nembers of the staffs of the four municipal colleges.

### Salary Increases

According to Dr. Joseph B. Cavallaro, Chairman of the BHE, he municipal colleges are findng it hard to keep instructors at the current rate of pay as well as o attract a sufficient number of new appointees. The proposed salary increases are expected to alleviate the situation.

Dr. Cavallaro submitted to Budget Director Abraham Beame an overall request for an approriation of \$25,298,921 for the 1954-55 fiscal year. This figure epresents an increase of \$4,173,-500 over the current year's out-

Manny Halper, Student Council President called upon the Board of Estimate to approve the proposed increase "in order to pay our instructors adequate salaries and keep the high standards at the municipal colleges."

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The staff of Observation Post has elected Jerome R. Ludwig, a senior, as Editor-in-Chief for the Spring 1954 semester. Other new members of the Managing Board are Henry J. Stern, managing editor; Stanley Wecker, business manager; Joseph Marcus, associate managing editor; Selwyn Raab, news editor; Bruno Wassertheil, features editor, and Jerry Strear, sports

Jack Levine, Dave Pfeffer and Joan Snyder were chosen as copy editors, while Leon Levine is the new circulation manager. Dave Pfeffer, Joan Snyder and Melinda Farber, as well as the members of the Managing Board, will comprise the new Editorial Board.

# Move to Manhattanville Delayed; New Date-1955

Opening of the Manhattanville campus, originally scheduled for the Fall 1953 semester. will be delayed until February 1955, at the earliest, President Gallagher announced last week. He expressed "a mounting sense of frustration in the face of difficulties."

## College Gets \$165,000 From Foundation Grants struction in April. Arthur

The College has received \$165,000 in the form of grants from five foundations which will be used to finance research and student because the building plans which aid programs, President Gallagher announced last week.

Two awards totalling \$125,000,\$ will be used to finance a three- area. and-one-half year program of research and graduate studies on "The New York Metropolitan Area as a Focus of American Urban Civilization."

The study will cover such aspects of the New York area as character of population, democratic processes and city government, achievements of business, the role of immigrants, the impact of science and technology and the "popularization" of culture.

### Graduate Program

The Rockefeller Foundation has donated \$107,500 to pay for the program. A second grant of \$17; 500, from the Lucius N. Littauer Foundation, will go to help set up a graduate program toward the MA degree for students who want to study the metropolitan



Morton Gottschall A look at the curriculum

# **Faculty Group Deplores Use** Of Fifth Amendment by Profs

By ANDREW MEISELS

A resolution deploring the use of the Fifth Amendment by college staff members called before Congressional investigating committees was adopted by a group of faculty members last month.

At the same time, the resolution recognized the use of the Arts and Science. amendment as "a right which is guaranteed in our Constitution" and criticized the actions of those chairmen of Congressional committees who could not be "relied upon to distinguish dissent from disloyalty."

tify on grounds of self-incrimina-

The resolution was adopted on Council of the College of Liberal

While urging staff members who are called before investigat- representatives must have "muing committees to "testify freely and candidly," the resolution jections should be on iscues, not made clear the need to safeguard personalities. Factionalism and the rights of those who testify, caucuses have no place in SC," he Among these, it said, was the added. right of witnesses to have coun-

Jan. 22 by a 39 to 14 vote of always acted in a manner to in- '55 and Martin Gruberg '56.

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According to Dr. Morton Gottschall, dean of the College of of city departments for approval, Liberal Arts and Science, profes- before construction can start. sor Oscar I. Janowsky (History), director of graduate studies, will head the undertaking and begin ion, the building to be used for exploratory research this semes-

been made by the Ford Foundation to inaugurate a "self-appraisal" study of the college's ed by the College in three probliberal arts and science curricu- able ways: lum. The study will investigate the value and best means of teaching liberal arts courses to building will go to operate the the pre-professional and non-spe- SU, according to Dr. Alton Lewis. cialist students, such as English for scientists, and Biology and  $\vert_{1S}$  the fund-raising organization Physics for social science majors. of CCNY alumni, has already

students on a loan basis, and \$10,000 from the New York Foundation to provide scholarships for alumni of the College.

The Board of Estimate made a final appropriation on January 28 of \$1,420,000 for removating Manhattanville. However, its opening is contingent on construction work which is to begin

Arthur Schiller, chief architect for the Board of Higher Education, said that no work has begun as yet on the new campus. are still being revised, have required "more work than was origginally anticipated." These plans must still be referred to a number

Who Shall Pay

Financing of the Student Unstudent activities and recreation on the South Campus, poses a Another grant of \$15,000 has problem. The city will probably defray only part of the cost leaving the remainder to be shoulder-

> All profits obtained from snack bars in the Student Union

The City College Fund, which Other gifts received include raised funds for equipping, fur-\$15,000 from the Good Neighbor nishing and decorating the Stu-Federation, Inc., to assist needy dent Union; the greater part of the funds for operating it for the first year have been raised, according to Mr. Nat Korshin of the graduate study by seniors and Alumni Association. The Alumni

(Continued on Page Four)

### SC Prexy Outlines Program; To Be 'Democracy Workshop'

Manny Halper, Student Council president, called upon council to "exemplify the democratic process" while representing the students and supplying welfare services at its first meeting last month.

In a "State of the College" speech which was the first point and David Newman '57 as memsessions) Student Council meet- Siegerman '57, Structure. ing, a Charter Day Bail, the de- Hank Stern and Harry Pollak Housing Authority loan for con- ard Loewenster were placed on struction of student dormitories.

"Workshop in Democracy"

Halper contended that since the Student Government is, in part, a : "workshop in democracy," the tual respect for each other. Ob-

At the same meeting Council: sel, to testify and call witnesses elected members to its legislative The Fifth Amendment gives a in their own behalf and to con-committees and its Executive. person the right to refuse to tes- front and cross-examine wit- Manny Solon, representative of the class of '55, was re-elected to Noting that chairmen of Con- his second term on the Executive. gressional Committees "have not Also elected were Meyer Baden

those present at a meeting of spire confidence in their purpose," Dudley McConnell '57 was the seventy-two-member Faculty the resolution went on to say that elected chairman of the School Affairs Committee with Solon

on SC's agenda, Halper indicated bers. Other committee chairmanseveral projects he was particu-ships went to Barry Weinberg larly anxious to foster. These in- '56, Service Committee; Sam Lancluded an All-City College (four dau '56, Membership, and Paul

velopment of student cooperatives were elected by SC to the Stuinstead of outside concessions in dent-Faculty Used Book Ex-Manhattanville and investigation change Committee and Manny of the possibility of a Federal Halper. Gerry Smetana and How-

(Continue



Manny Halper No room for cancuses

# Everest' Documentary New Deputy.. BHE Selects New Heat Gets Flaherty Award

The Fifth Annual City College Robert J. Flaherty award for "creative achievement" in the documentary film went to the Britishmade film, "The Conquest of Everest," at ceremonies held in the

More than 120 films were sub-

mitted to the panel of judges

which included David Flaherty,

brother of the late Mr. Robert

Flaherty; Richard Griffith, cura-

tor of the Museum of Modern Art

Film Library; Amos Vogel, direc-

tor of Cinema 16; Lewis Jacobs,

film critic for the New York

Post: Otis Guernsey, Jr., film

critic for the Herald Tribune, and

Arthur Knight, film critic for the

Saturday Review.

auditorium of the Central High School of Needle Trades on Fri- Miguel," and Herman Van Der day, January 29.

The award was accepted by George W. Lowe, who with Mr. Krumgold was present to ac-Thomas Stobart photographed the expedition that Sir John Hunt tum, Netherlands Consul in New in which Sir Edmund Hillary and York received the award for Mr. Tenzing Norkay reached the sum- Van Der Horst. mit of the world's highest moun-

Special awards were voted to "Argument in Indianapolis" and "All My Babies."

"Argument in Indianapolis," originally produced for CBS' "See It Now," is the first television film to receive an award in the annual competition. Joseph Crowther, film critic for the New Wershba, the director of the York Times; Archer Winsten, half of himself and the producers of "See It Now," Edward R. Murrow and Fred Friendly.

"All My Babies," an instructional film for midwives, made for the Georgia Public Health Department, was produced by George C. Stoney, who accepted the award. Mrs. Mary Coley, the midwife who made her film debut in the documentary, was also present.

Honorable mentions went to Joseph Krumgold for "And Now

### Council . . .

(Continued from Page One) the Student-Faculty Discipline Committee.

In an earlier meeting, the  $E_{\mathbf{x}}$ ecutive branch of the student government set plans for the term's work. Halper said that one of the major aims would be "to develop the executive branch of the student government into an independent and responsible body."

He asserted that in the past few semesters much improvement has been made in the functioning of the legislative branch and he feels that now is the time to de-



Art Pittman Council's new veep

fine clearly the areas of activity of the Executive and Council.

Halper, in line with his stated thesis that Student Government is a "workshop in democracy." is trying to model the workings of SC after that of the national government. One innovation he suggests is that all resolutions must first be studied by the appropriate committee before they may be discussed on the floor. Only this way, he feels, can the most responsible and rational actions be taken.

Several projects for the coming term were suggested by the executive. In regard to social functions, expansion of the free film presentation program is planned with scheduling "so that all students have a chance to attend." -Hamilton



Professor Harry M. Shulman (Sociology) was appointed First Deputy Commissioner of Correction by Mayor Wagner on January 28. Professor Shulman has been an instructor at the college since 1938 and has had long experience in the fields of criminology and penology.

The new Deputy Commissioner will assist Correction Commissioner Anna Kross.

# To Conduct Red Inquire

The Board of Higher Education has appointed Michael B. Castaldi pointment "very fortunate" to conduct the investigations into the Board subversion at the four municipal colleges. Mr. Castaldi was formerly First Assistant Corporation Counsel.

He will aid Gustave G. Rosenberg, chairman of a special BHE committee inquiring into faculty loyalty on the four campuses.

Corporation Counsel Adrian P. Burke, who is heading the Board's program to eliminate 'disloyal elements' from the city colleges, described Mr. Castaldi's background as one of inaugurating in the courts a "sound legal procedure to oust Communist teachers from the public school system." He also credited the new appointee with establishing the proposition that a teacher is insubordinate who refuses to answer questions concerning his membership in the Communist

Joseph B. Cavallaro, chairman of the BHE, termed the new ap-

Mr. Castaldi replaces Arthu Kahn as head of the inqu



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Special to the Observation Post

avor Robert F. Wagner has named to head the Gustave man City College Memorial d Other officers elected to fund board are Samuel Redand Judge Jonah J. Goldvice-presidents; Emanuel Cohan, treasurer; and Edward owland, secretary.

he fund's goal is to establish auditorium to be located in Student Union Building. This torium will be named after late judge, who was a City lege **graduate.** 

### Future Example

accepting, Mayor Wagner, of the late Senator Robert Wagner '98, declared, "I am ud to be associated with this ject to memorialize the name a great humanitarian. It will re as an example to future dents, both men and women. will receive their education the same institution of which ige Hartman was a graduate.

### Aid the College

'Moreover," he continued, "the rtman Fund, by supplementing at the City of New York proles to City College, will aid College in the fine trainit gives to our future citizens leaders."

Other members of the Fund's ard of Directors include: Mrs. stave Hartman, President Galher, and Dr. Joseph J. Klein,

Under the stimulus of an intersession vacation, the College's first Ski Club has been formed by former Student Coun President and Vice-President, respectively, Gerry Smetana and Allen Bard. The group aims to promote healthful sport and good fellowship, according

### Frosh Class Falls to 500

Five hundred freshmen, the smallest entering class in the last twenty-five years, have enrolled in uptown day session this semester. This is a decrease of 900 from last September's total.

Total day session registration students. The decrease of 300 is into effect by the Board of Education.

### Same Proportion

Approximately half the entering freshman have enrolled in the School of Technology. This is the same proportion as in last September.

This semester there are four males entering as freshmen to every new co-ed.

Robert Taylor (Registrar) found that by and large upperclassmen were having little difficulty getting their courses while freshmen esident of the College's Alumni were having their perennial prob-

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# \$100,000 Council Libel Suit Ready for Trial This Week

By HANK STERN

The New York Times by four led." The strike was a protest alleged anti-Semitism on the part former officers of Student Council will be called up on the calen- Prof. William C. Davis, (Economdar of New York State Supreme Court today at 10 AM.

This will be the second trial of the libel suit. The first ended Oct. 29, in a hung jury.

### Trial Soon

After it is called up, the case will then be assigned to one of the justices of the Supreme Court, and should be brought to trial this afternoon or tomorrow, according to Conrad Lynn, attorney for the plaintiffs.

Last semester, SC contributed \$300 for the preparation of a has dropped to 6300 registered stenographic transcript of the minutes of the first trial. Late due mainly to the small entering last week, this transcript was still class which has resulted from the not available, and Mr. Lynn told yearly promotion plan being put OP that unless he received it by Monday, the trial date would have to be postponed.

### Communist Led

The suit arose when The Times. in an editorial, called the student

The \$100,000 libel suit against strike of April 1949 "Communist-lics) who has now retired, and Negro residents of Army Hall by er (Romance Languages).



William E. Knickerbocker Suit against him settled

against supposed segregation of of Prof. William E. Knickerbock-

Professor Knickerbocker who was also sued for libel has since settled out of court with the students for an undisclosed sum. The plaintiffs in the case are two former SC presidents William Fortunato and Leroy Galperin, plus Al Ettinger and Robert M. Oppenheimer.

The trial, which is open to the public, will be held at 60 Center Street.

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# SOVE

By DAN BERGER Editor of the Oberlin Review

Indicative of official Soviet attitudes toward higher education might be the newest largest and most streamlined architectural showplace in the capital, Moscow University. From the 32-story top, one gets a fine view of Moscow in the distance, and of the im-

mense University spreading out beneath. On the way down, in the only streamlined elevator I saw during my trip, a student proudly told me the descending speed. "How fast," he asked, "do elevators descend in your University?"

He was a blond peasant from the Kursk area, proud of his streamlined university which began classes Sept. 1, proud of having worked two years on its construction prior to studying philosophy.

The Moscow University, the student newspaper, publishes twice weekly. For 18,000 students in the new building and on the maculate inner office that would old campus in downtown Moscow, it prints 1,500 copies. Subscriptions are 16 rubles a year, single issue 20 kopeks. Most are read by students from wall bulletin boards, a practice similar to the posting of metropolitan newspapers on outside walls.

**Busy Beavers** 

Four fulltime workers and over 100 others put out the paper of a Russian paper is always the There is no advertising. Editor Avenir Zaakharov has been a Party member since 1946. This the like, according to Editor previous journalistic experience Zakharov. includes editing a military paper after serving with the Baltic fleet. He says he is now a graduate student with the faculty of journalism.

Second in command is the secretary, bald Semyon Gurevich, also a Party member. His job corresponds to managing editor. daily. His deck, covered with dummy sheets and copy, was in the outer lined little rooms with radios. office where a dozen people small sandwich counters and could easily work. Zakharov has book stores in the halls in addi-

### Ed. Note . . .

Mr. Berger is the Editor of the Oberlin Review, at Oberlin College. This is the third of a series of articles about Soviet Russia, which Mr. Berger recently toured with two other college editors.

This story was told by Mr. Berger to Melinda Farber, a member of the Observation Post News Department.

do justice to any executive.

Both men seemed extremely well along in years for student editors. I was impressed that both were Party members, not mere Komsomols. Zakharov explained appointment procedure as coming from an annual student elected conference.

The upper left hand, or lead, editorial. In this paper, it is likely to discuss exams, science, and

Policy is made by a council sitting every week. News is mostly of campus interest. An exception to the local interest rule was the picture of Howard Fast awarding Paul Robeson the Stalin Peace Prize. The same picture appeared in every Moscow

Excellent restaurants, streama large, well-appointed and im- tion to rich paneling throughout,

make this new building on which the Soviets spared nothing, one of their finest. Students know it ent reduction. and are grateful.

Leningrad University Library, much larger than the one at Kiev, had a better but still limited collection, if the card catalog I inspected was complete. The director had returned the previous week, he said, from a geometers' convention in Italy. They were the group that seemed most willing to lend credence to what I said of American education and life. The students there, like the rest of the city, seemed markedly more Western.

From talks with students at all three institutions (Mr. Berger also visited Kiev University.-Ed.) I gained the impression of great drive, the goal being often the contribution they could make to the Soviet state. Not once did I feel a sense of rebelliousness, or independence from the ideals officially expressed.

Jerry Vanderberg, manager of the Used Book Exchange announced that the UBE will be open all this week from 11 AM to 4 PM. In addition, it will be open iomorrow and Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.

Money will be paid out in Room 100 Army Hall on February 3, 10, and 11 from 11 AM to 2 PM and on February 18 from 10 AM to 4 PM.

# No Change in Inductio Quota Seen by Clarkso

Stuart Clarkson, the College's Veterans Counseler, said last should make another written week that there would be no immediate change in the present rate of students being inducted into the Army. Although it is known that a ten percent manpower cut will take place beginning July 1, Mr. Clarkson has not received any notice of a pres-

College students who expect to reach their twentieth birthday soon are warned by Mr. Clarkson that in order to receive a deferment an appeal must be made within ten days of receipt of their 1-A classification. The college should then be requested to inform the student's draft board of the nature of his attendance. The full time student will automatically be deferred until the end of the academic school year, when a student fee is to be imposs he will again receive 1-A classification.

Upon being classified 1-A again, the student must write to his Manhattanville property in 19 local draft board within ten days or he will not be considered for further deferments.

If this appeal is refused, he nasium are in use.

peal to the appeals board wh may reverse the decision of local board.

### Postponed...

(Continued from Page One, will also attempt to provide finances the SU may need in future.

There seems to be some like hood that a student fee will considered as a source of fur for operating the SU building.

The Student Union final committee, will suggest to Student Union Committee tha referendum be held to decide according to Ira Klosk, co-cha man of the former committee.

The College gained title to At present, only the Gatehou which is President Gallaghe residence, and the women's gy

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### 1954 (or is it '84?)

In the closing weeks of the term which has just passed, the editorial board of this newspaper had a taste of what it was to live in a slave state.

For writing an editorial, these nine men were called before a committee (the SFCSA) with vaguely defined and almost unlimited powers, which made to them a series of polite "suggestions," the nature of which is still in dispute, concerning an editorial which was judged to be in poor taste on grounds which have never been defined and which, the committee has made clear, it has no intention of ever defining. On the charge of supposedly not following these "suggestions" and on the basis of certain "formal" charges which were never presented and which were supposed to have been made by people whose identities were never revealed to the editors, these nine men were deprived of their freedom of expression.

Now that the passage of time has cooled our previous heat of anger into a calm quest for justice, law and values, we wish merely to survey the serious implications of this suspension to the entire student body.

In looking at the situation now that the suspension has expired we find that **OP** has not been harmed in any material manner. We were not hamstrung by the Committee's action, and, indeed, an issue was produced after the suspension. In this light, one might almost call the suspension trivial. Only it isn't. For it is what lies beneath the surface of the suspension that is of moment.

### CCNY's 'Big Brothers'

No man is good enough to govern another man without that other's consent—Abraham Lincoln.

Whether you know it or not, the main governing body over student activities is the Student Faculty Committee on Student Affairs (SFCSA). This committee passes on many Student Council resolutions, student referenda, and, in short, on all "student affairs" of more than a minute nature.

There are five faculty and five student members on SFSCA and of these, you, the average student, have a say in naming only two, and even these indirectly. You elect the President and Vice-President of SC to lead the mockery that is called student government at City College. The Senior Class elects the Senior Class President, generally because he is a good social functions organizer. That's it.

The others? Well, there are two more students. The President of House Plan, a social group, and a representative from THC, a semi-professional, not a reprentative group, sit on the governing body, over activities of all students.

But regardless of their qualifications to sit on the committee, the student members are, after all, students familiar with average student problems. Furthermore, no matter how fit or unfit they may be, their tenure is just one semester.

Not so with the faculty members. Here, you, the student, have nothing whatever to say about anything. The president appoints the members of this committee from as many faculty members as may wish to "regulate" student affairs. The only way a faculty member can leave the committee is to die or resign. Four of the five faculty members on the present SFCSA were appointed by President Wright.

We will not insult the reader's intelligence by pointing out that the SFCSA is far from democratic in its structure. But has it, at least, shown itself by its actions as adhering to the principles of democracy, freedom of inquiry, and justice?

Here are just a few of the things SFCSA has done in recent years: It has changed resolutions adopted by thousands of students in

referendum to suit the fancy of its ten members; suddenly assuming a legal frame of mind, it denied Paul Robeson the right to speak, in the Great Hall (and, incidentally, the right of thousands of students who may have wanted to hear him as part of their education); turning into a non-legalistic body again, it suspended nine OP editors for an editorial they didn't happen to like. We should like, if we may, to discuss the serious implications of this last outrage, merely because it is the one with which we are most familiar.

### 'Poor Taste'

It is futile to argue about taste. (De gustibus non est diputandum.)—
Old Latin Proverb

As the professors on SFCSA should know better than anyone else, the rise of democracy everywhere and at all times has been characterized by a public demand for codification of the laws, so that everyone may know his rights and the limitations on those rights. Law, and judgment only according to law, is the basic difference between constitutional government and oligarchy.

Does the SFCSA act according to law? What law, would be the logical question. From what we have seen, each action of SFCSA is governed by nothing more than the subjective whims of its members.

By suspending nine students, who, incidentally, represent a total of 22 years of service to the student body, for what it considered "poor taste," SFCSA has shown that it has far more power than it knows what to do with or can handle properly.

By maintaining, when it was pointed out to them that the facts in the **OP** editorial were all true, that "true or not it was scandalous to say so," the SFCSA has shown a shameful contempt for American legal institutions. This concept, that "the greater the truth, the greater the libel," was the exact charge on which John Peter Zenger, the American pioneer of freedom of the press, was imprisoned and brought to trial. But America has grown since that day. SFCSA on the other hand, has shown a stubborn reluctance to give up any of its enormous power, or even to be moderate in its use.

What, after all, is "poor taste?" What is good? What is bad? What is desirable, undesirable, immoral, sinful, scandalous? We each have our own set of values by which we judge these terms, and this right to judge values for yourself and to attempt to convince others of the validity of your values is nothing less than the essence of freedom.

But what if there are ten men—and they are only men—who have their own idea about these values? And what if they have unlimited power over thousands of other men? And what if this group never hesitates to use its power to punish those who have inadvertently and unconsciously acted not in accordance with these set values? And what if the thousands over whom the group holds sway have little or no say in the choosing of the group?

Conditions such as we have just described exist in Soviet Russia today. They also exist at City College.

Consider for a moment the implications of SFCSA's suspension of the **OP** editors. Don't be deceived. It is not nine men whose freedom of expression has been taken away for a time. It is the right of 6,600 students to speak their minds, whether in the cafeteria, or public gathering, or in a newspaper which has been challenged.

Consider the threat now presented. In a dictatorship, a man at least knows enough to keep his mouth shut and thus attain a certain degree of security. But here, at City College, we are encouraged to speak, to question, to write—up to a point—and that point is wherever SFCSA happens to place it at a particular time in a particular case when a particular organ-

ization is involved. And SFCSA's values have shown themselves to be amazingly flexible. What is license in the case of one organization is often liberty in the case of another.

There are only two ways in which the student can meet this challenge: He can carefully, and perhaps wisely, avoid joining or participating in any extra-curricular activities. This is a safe course and many have chosen it. Another way is to attack the entire structure, to demand the same rights which are granted to every citizen of the United States by the government, to speak up against injustice regardless of the chances taken. This is a dangerous course, but we have chosen it. And if the members of SFCSA thinks that their rash action has frightened us, they are sorely mistaken.

### The Presidential Report

If you shut up truth and bury it under ground, it will but grow, and gather to itself such explosive power that the day it bursts it will blow up everything in its way.—Emile Zola, J'accuse.

But we are not the only ones who believe that the status quo leaves much to be desired. One year ago, at the request of the President of Student Council and this newspaper, President Gallagher set up a Presidential Committee on Student-Faculty Relations to study the manner in which student activities are regulated. This committee, composed of faculty members as well as students, prepared a report and sent it to the General Faculty last September. It has not yet been acted upon. We cannot help wondering why.

OP has had a copy of this report for some time, but we have not printed it. We have held it back because, regardless of what SFCSA thinks of our integrity, it is a rule on OP not to print news that has not been released for publication. At present, we will only say that the report proposes some drastic and much needed changes in the present system under which student activities are governed, and we on OP strongly recommend its adoption.

### Why We Fight

Always be drastically independent. Never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or predatory poverty.—Joseph Pulitzer

The above quotation was written by one of the giants of American journalism. In spirit, it has been this newspaper's guiding principle since we began publishing seven years ago. We have always attempted to fight in the student's interest, and our unjust suspension has served only to accentuate this fight.

Although the term of our suspension has already expired, we intend to continue appealing it through the regular channels provided by the College. And we will go on appealing it, as high as we must go, as long as it may take, until SFCSA's irresponsible action is reversed.

We do this not for ourselves, although we would be justified in thinking solely of our reputations as honest, responsible journalists. But there is something far more important involved. Out of our fight may come, we hope, a new concept of the role of extra-curricular activities in the college community. We hope to show the need for a set of regulations under which—and only within which—committees like SFCSA can exercise their authority. Most of all, we hope to show that students are responsible, mature individuals who are fully capable of handling their own affairs outside the classroom without the help of misguided "educators" who would do best to look at the condition of their own houses.

As for our editorial columns, we firmly believe that this newspaper is your property and that it is our duty to you to present the truth as we see it, without fear. We will continue doing this, as we have always done—and no committee is going to frighten us out of it.

### CCNY Geologist Grows Play Mammoth Russian Plant

In the midst of East-West antagonism and conflict, a friendlier kind of competition may begin to center around an American, "Russian Mammoth" sunflower, believed to be bigger than anything developed by the Soviet Union. <

by Dr. Daniel T. O'Connell, pro- contain 144 rows of seeds, while fessor in the College's Geology Department. Professor O'Connell and his wife Margaret have a two acre farm in South Londonderry, Vermont, on which they raise



corn, carrots and grapes, all of normal size.

The professor and his wife were very interested when one

The sunflower has been grown of their sunflowers was found to ordinary plants of the "Russian Mammoth" strain, run to fiftyfive rows of seeds. Their interest was increased when they read an article in the Scientific Monthly which referred to Russian experiments to develop a sunflower

with a head that contained as

many as eighty-nine and one-hun-

dred-forty-four rows of seeds.

Mice nibbled away the seeds of Professor O'Connell's first plant before its size could be checked. Other seeds were planted, however, in the same area where the O'Connells had been experimenting with a new type of fertilizer. The O'Connell "Mammoth" sunflower was found in the new of seeds. The new flower grew to a height of approximately eleven feet with a stalk so thick that Professor O'Connell had to use an ax to chop it down.

The browned head of the plant minus its petals is now carefully preserved at the Professor's home. cats.

The new regime of the Cercle Francais has decided to write and present & French musical comedy. All avid hams, playwrights, musicians, and artists, with even but slight knowledge of French are invited to join the Cercle and participate in the program.

All interested parties are entreated to converge on Room 205, Thursday, February 11, at

### College Night

Stepping out with a date will not necessarily cause heavy deflation of the wallet. This philosophy is put forth by the Village Vanguard night club, located at 178 Seventh Avenue, as a result of its inauguration of "College Night."

This will allow City College couples, every Sunday night, merely on presentation of proof crop, its head containing 144 rows of being students at the College, to take in the Vanguard, pin the stage show, and trot to the cool tunes played by the Clarence Williams Trio, without minimum or cover charge.

> This cool deal, it must be repeated, applies only to coupled

# **ROTC Decorations Used** As Nooses for Soldiers

There are four military organizations on campus which have as a means of identification, braids which are worn on the left shoulder, and the origin of these braids, or fourrageres, has become the subject of much discussion. The four

organizations which use them are wooden object and hang himself. Webb Patrol which has a red and yellow braid, Pershing Rifles which uses blue and white, Scabbard and Blade with red and blue and finally the American Society of Military Engineers which uses a tricolor. These organizations seemed to be a bit hazy on the original use of the fourragere, and when a story concerning their origin began circulating around the college it seemed worthwhile to check it.

### - Dead Serious

As the story goes, the first use of these braid was for the purpose of self-destruction. Originally, what today is a braid was supposed to have been a noose, and the metal piece, resembling a the nail into a tree or some other pose.

There seems to be no foundation in fact for this story. As the name implies, the braid is of French origin, and although its use has been adopted by other nations, it has retained the original name, fourragere.

### Badge of Courage

Use of this decoration seems to have come from the need for a decoration for bravery which would include an entire unit. The fourragere was awarded to those regiments which had distinguished themselves in the field of battle, and once awarded, became a permanent part of the dress uniform of every man in that regiment. This use seems to parallel that of the American army's utilization of battle flags which are awarded for the same reason and then carried with the unit colors. These unit citations have been whistle, a nail. If the man wear- adopted by many countries, but ing the braid was in danger of France seems to be the only one being captured, he was to drive using a fourragere for that pur-

### Holman . . .

The three-man trial board committee that conducted the seven month trial of suspended baskeiball coach Nat Holman and his assistant Harold (Bobby) Sand, will deliver its report and recommendation to the Board of Higher Education on February 15. Delivery of the report was delayed by the great amount of material the committee had to consider.

Holman and Sand were charged with "neglect of duty" and "conduct unbecoming a teacher" after the exposures in 1951 of "dumping" of games by CCNY basketball players.

### Classics Dead at

The ancient cultures of Greece and Rome are for most people. non-existent. Some CCNY students, however consistently enroll in courses in advanced Latin and-Greek.

According to Robert L. Taylor (Registrar), the enrollment in advanced classical language courses have been fairly consistent for the past decade. Mr. Taylor explains that while the registration in each of these courses is fairly small compared to the registration in other courses, there is a consistent number of students interested in these advanced courses.

Usually, anywhere from three to five students will enroll in courses such as Latin 13.1, a course in the study of Catullus, Ovid, and Horace. Other advanced Latin courses include Roman Satire, History, Philosophy.

Advanced Greek courses include studies of Xenophon and Homer. These are taken from selections in the Iliad and Anabasis.

Most of the students taking these courses are either interested in the classics as such, or in the teaching of Latin and Greek. There are those students however, who enroll in advanced classical languages in order to get a wider background in the arts courses offered at the college.



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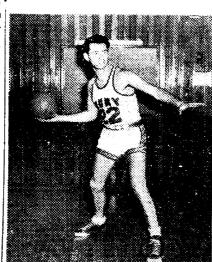
By HERSCHEL NISSENSON and JERRY STREAR The Manhattan Jaspers won the thirty-fourth renewal of one of the oldest basketball rivalries in the City by defeating the Beavers at the Main Gym, Saturday night.

Prior to the Manhattan affair, the City College basketball team possessed a fine 6-4 record over the first half of the season. Now, with seven games remaining on the schedule, the Beavers hope to strengthen their position as a better than average team.

Led by Jerry Domershick, the first player in Lavender court history to captain the squad three súccessive seasons, they have defeated Hunter, Adelphi, Queens, Brandeis, Rutgers, and Rider, while bowing to Lafayette, Fordham, Wagner, and Montclair State Teachers.

### Fordham Wins Squeaker

The team played its best game of the season in dropping a twopointer to Fordham, 51-53, on the Rose Hiller's court. After rallying from an 11 point deficit in the with Brooklyn College on March first quarter to pull momentarily ahead in the final period, the Lavender lost when Fordham's Allan Larkin stole the ball from more sensation Bill Thieben, and Championships, to be held at the the Tech Gym. The Teachers are bet to finish high in the diving Ronnie Kowalski, and later scored on Feb. 17 at St. Francis (N.Y.). end of the month.



Jerry Domershick Better this year

6. City plays on the road Feb. 13

We invite all those interested in athletics who desire to write sports copy to come to the OP office, Room 16A, as soon as possible. In addition to attending classes for candidates, all sports candidates will receive immediate assignments.

All those interested are requested to contact Jerry Strear, Sports Editor, in the OP office, Room 16A.

### Lifters Annex More Medals

ships on Saturday, January 23. stolid righthander who pitched The winning team, the Adonis them to the championship, and tary. Barbell Club, amassed a total of league batting champion Ted 14 points. A squad of only five Solomon. lifters from City College totalled eleven points among them and his intercollegiate wrestling ca- it an Intercollegiate Swimming took home three medals. The win- reer last semester, has been made Championships next month. ners were James Kean, Sal Sava- an instructor in the Engineering Howie Schloemer will be called rino, and Steve Stone. The club Department. His former team- upon to successfully defend his will next compete in the East- mates meet powerful Lock Haven 220 and 440 yard triumphs. Unat Hofstra, featuring 6-6 sopho- ern Intercollegiate Weightlifting State Teachers on February 27, in defeated Lou Ruffino is a sure

# Sports Scene

By Joe Marcus

Congratulations to Red Holz-|squads in the country. man, former CCNY basketball stalwart during the early nineteen-forties. He was recently appointed Head Coach of the sag-Red gained prominence at the College for his overall hustle and excellent set shooting.

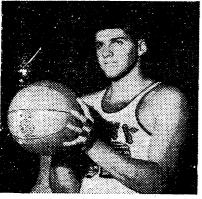
Although "the weather outside is frightful," the baseball team has begun Spring practice in the Tech Gym, under the tutelage of Sol Mishkin. This season's array Club took second place in the ference title last year. The key

> Stan Kaplan, who completed rated as one of the top fourevent.

At a recent meeting of the Student Athletic Association, a proposal was passed stating that the SAA favors the granting of money for the formation of sevging Milwaukee Hawks of the eral freshman teams. If the addi-National Basketball Association, tional money is forthcoming, the baseball, lacrosse, wrestling and swimming teams may have freshman schedules next season.

The SAA, which, along with the Student Faculty Committee On Intercollegiate Athletics, decides policy on all athletics at the College, has elected new officers will be weaker than the team that for the Spring semester. Stu The City College Weightlifting captured the Metropolitan Con- Greenberg (Lacrosse), was chosen President, Stan Worchel (Swim-Junior Metropolitan Champion- losses are Warren Neuberger, the ming), Vice President, and Bernie Klein (Wrestling), Secre-

> Coach Jack Rider is extremely optimistic over the chances of the swimming team in the Metropol-



Mervin Shorr Sets new mark

the winning basket with six seconds remaining.

The Lafayette contest saw the Pennsylvanians' John Alviggi set a school scoring record by hitting for 36 points, as City bowed, 57-84. In the Adelphi game, which saw the Beavers reverse last year's loss, Domershick, according to Coach Dave Polansky, played the finest game in his career, scoring 26 points and turning in an outstanding floor

### Bench Left Intact

A tilt at New Brunswick, N. J., against a rugged Rutgers "five." produced a 60-56 win for the Polanskymen. Using five men the whole game, City jumped to a 24-6 lead at the end of the first period and then hung on grimly to win. Merv Shorr, one of the country's top rebounders, scored 24 points as Domershick was held to less than 13 points for the only time this season.

Last Wednesday at Montclair. New Jersey, the Montclair State Teachers College upset the Beavers. 101-90, and two records were broken. Merv Shorr scored 36 points for a new CCNY record and Montclair netted the highest total of points ever put in against the Lavender.

### Domershick Leads Scorers

Captain Domershick leads the season scoring parade with a total of 186 points for an 18.7 average. This mark is a full point ahead of the 17.7 average set by Domershick last year, which is the current school record.

The remainder of the season will find the hoopsters at home in the Main Gym on Feb. 11 against a strong St. Francis (Pa.) team, featuring scoring ace Maurice Stokes; on Feb. 20 against Ithaca, on Feb. 22, against the St. John Redmen, and the season Wrapup, the now traditional clash

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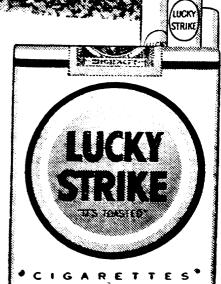


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# Fencers Defeated Close Contests

They lost to heavily favored NYU, 14-13, and West Point 15-12, both very close matches which were decided in the last epee bouts.

and two in the West Point match,

the services of its Co-Captain,

uated, and is now in the Navy.

The next match is at Fordham

University, February 13th.

This term the team has lost

won all three.

At the beginning of the last? three epee bouts in the match Martin Wertlieb, the fourth man with NYU, the score was tied at on the foils team, called in for 12 all. City took the first bout, one contest in the NYU match, and dropped the next two, losing the match. The sabre division did well against NYU, all three of its men winning two bouts for a total of six. The foil team took Lawrence Lozovick, who gradfive bouts, and the epee team

Against West Point, the score going into the last three epee pairings was again tied at 12 all. However, the Beavers dropped these bouts. In this match the foil team did very well capturing six. The Sabre team took four, and the epee team two.

Aubrey Seeman was notable



Anthony Lucia Rough Sledding

during the last two matches for his six successive victories, with a total of only 10 touches scored against him for all six bouts.

### Adelphi Takes Initial CCNY **Tourney Runs**

Adelphi College of Long Island won the First Collegiate Track Conference Winter Relay Carnival at Lewisohn Stadium on Saturday, January 30, and with the victory went the Harold Anson Bruce Trophy.

The competition was sponsored by City College, and the Beaver entrants amassed a total of eleven points-three short of the winning Adelphi team score — for second place. Ten other teams scored in the meet.

The Lavender tracksters countered as the quartet of James Spencer, Fred Thompson. Tom O'Brien and Paul Pavlides won the Varsity Distance Medley Relay in 11:16.4. City College also placed second in the Two Mile Relay, and fourth in the Varsity Sprint Relay.

Will all organizations on campus, with the exception of varsity squads, who are sponsoring or participating in any athletic contests, please notify the Sports Department as far in advance as possible. We would like to give ample coverage to these events.

Please notify Jerry Strear, Sports Editor, in the OP office, Room 16A, about any such pending events.

### Capsule Comments

By GEORGE WOLFE

Although the chances of my team for having a respectable season seemed ominous during pre-season workouts, the freshman basketball team has definitely improved over the course of the season.

We have scheduled seven more games—all of them figure to be rough. Saint John's, NYU, Hofstra, St. Francis, Hofstra, West Point, and the traditional wrap-up against Brooklyn College should all be very close contests.

### Use of Fifth Amendment.

(Continued from Page One) "they traduced prominent officials of undoubted loyalty; they have released unverified testimony about religious leaders; they have conducted inquiries in which the questions are so replete with unwarranted assumptions and innuendoes that comment bulks larger than text."

"Therefore," the resolution continued, "it seems unlikely that such chairmen or the staffs they have chosen can be relied upon to distinguish dissent from disloyalty or can appreciate the functions and obligations of an institution of higher learning."

Investigative procedures, it with the democratic spirit of fair ted.

play." Accordingly, the council called upon each investigating committee to "codify and make public the rules and procedures under which it operates." Among the requirements for such investigations, it set forth the follow-

Preliminary stages of an investigation should be secret.

There should be no public releases or "leak" of untested testi-

Public or informal proceedings should adhere closely to legal practice used in court proceedings.

"Hearsay" evidence should unsaid, should be "wholly consistent der no circumstances, be admit-

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